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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the duty of candor and good faith imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and means of complying therewith according to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, the reference listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is called to the attention of the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-

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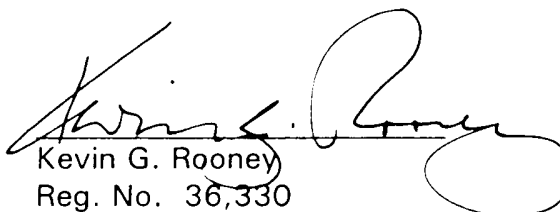
herewith and Applicants request that the Examiner consider the cited reference and make an independent evaluation of its materiality.

An English language abstract of Japanese Application No. 2289107 is submitted herewith.

Applicants believe that this communication is being mailed before a first action on the merits and, therefore, no fee is due. If this is not the case, the Commissioner is authorized to charge deposit account 23-3000 for any required fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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